



December 5, 2017

The Honorable Barbara Comstock  
U.S. House of Representatives  
229 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Elizabeth Esty  
U.S. House of Representatives  
221 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representatives Comstock and Esty:

On behalf of the Security Industry Association (SIA), I would like to express our strong support for your bipartisan legislation, H.R. 4151, *the Smart Technology for Resilient, Efficient, Economic and Reliable Transportation in Cities and Communities Act*, or the STREET Act, which encourages small and medium-sized cities to adopt smart technologies and communities. SIA is a non-profit international trade association representing approximately 800 global security and life safety solutions providers, and our members develop, manufacture and integrate equipment that are critical to the foundation of a smart city.

We are pleased to see this legislation expand the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Smart Cities Challenge Program by encouraging cities to publish smart city resource guidelines, promoting robust cybersecurity hygiene and data security, and increasing the eligible grant monies administered by DOT. Moreover, SIA supports smart city resource guides' inclusion of voluntary and industry-led standards for adopting cyber security guidelines that will protect smart infrastructure from malicious cyberattacks.

SIA commends specific provisions within the STREET Act that integrates certain measures to enhance resiliency against cyber threats and physical vulnerabilities. It is vital that interconnected devices and sensors used to enhance public safety are hardened against cyber-threats and due to the advent of interconnected devices and sensors, our membership understands the imperative necessity to incorporate cyber safeguards into traditional security equipment. The STREET Act realizes this prioritization through a notable increase in DOT grant funding to \$100 million each year from fiscal years 2018 through 2022.

SIA and its members stand ready to serve as a resource to you as you continue work on this critical issue. Thank you for your leadership and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Don Erickson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Don" and last name "Erickson" clearly legible.

Don Erickson  
CEO  
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